

## BACK TO FARMS

Unemployment in Cities Causes Labor to Hunt Jobs.

Farmers Turn Tables on Workers This Spring.

ARE DICTATING TERMS NOW

Wages Have Taken Big Drop Since Last Year.

No Such Thing as Farm Hand Demanding "Hours."

Kansas City, Mo., April 8.—Wide-spread unemployment in cities has created a drift back to the farm and relieved the farm labor shortage brought about during the war, reports of federal and state employment bureaus reveal.

Farm hands in the great grain belt of the central states are reported plentiful as wages greatly reduced as compared with a year ago.

Farmers, who for several years have been forced to grant almost any conditions to labor to bring their crops thru, are in a position this year to dictate terms of employment, according to employment agency officials. Then, too, the farmer faces the problem this year of holding down the cost of production because of the low prices of farm products and generally is trying to get along with as little help as possible.

Farm wages in Kansas this year average \$40 a month, board and lodging, or about \$20 less than a year ago, the free employment bureau in that state reports. W. H. Lewis, Missouri labor commissioner, declares there probably will not be any shortage of farm labor this year and wages probably will be much lower than in any year since 1915.

Wages Going Down. In North Dakota a survey disclosed that farm labor for spring and summer work was plentiful at from \$20 to \$40 a month as compared with wages of from \$30 to \$50 a month paid last year.

In Illinois the state department of labor reports farm hands going back to the farms and accepting the cut in wages.

Kansas farmers are demanding experienced men after worrying along for several years with any sort of labor that presented itself, according to officials of the Kansas Free Employment bureau. Experienced applicants are being located and sent to the farms; however, while there are about sixteen applicants for every job open in other lines of industry, the records show.

Cannot Demand Hours. The bureau warns that farm hands who venture to define how many hours a day they are willing to work stand a poor chance of getting jobs.

The general scale recognized in Kansas, the principal growing state, according to bureau officials, is as follows: For experienced hands, from \$20 to \$30 a month (according to experience); for single men, from \$40 to \$45 for married men who are willing to live on farms with their families. Last year, the peak year of farm wages, the scale ran \$20 to \$25 for single men and \$30 to \$35 for married men.

The immediate prospect is that harvest wages this year will be around \$5 a day as compared with \$7 last year, the Kansas bureau reports.

## KANSAS JEWELERS MEET

Sellers of Gems Will See How Common Salt Is Mixed.

Hutchinson, Kan., April 8.—Retail jewelers who attend the state convention of the Kansas Retail Jewelers' association here April 11 and 12, will see diamonds mined and developed thru all the various stages, the perfected gemstone on the movie screen. The special film is making the rounds of the jewelers' conventions throughout the United States and it is said to be shown the visitors in the big "digging" near Hutchinson.

Invitations have gone out to more than 500 retail jewelers to attend the convention. An attractive feature arranged by the local jewelers is a display of the "latest styles" in ornaments of precious stones and rare metals, on living models—just like they do at the clothing style conventions.

## THOU SHALT NOT

Chicago University Men Placed Under "Never, Never" Regulations to Reform Wild Co-Eds.

Chicago, April 8.—Society for the Encouragement of Female Demureness was launched today at Chicago university.

This fraternity requires the initiates to assume the following obligations: 1. Never to give or offer to females any cigarettes or chewing tobacco or cigars, hootch, moonshine, home brew, or alcoholic toilet water. 2. Never to look when a female climbs up a high street car step. 3. Always to hide the eyes when a female displays more than two inches of bosom.

The reform started when Miss Ruth Hens, sophomore, wrote to the Daily Maroon, student paper, that "when men object, as they do, to the frivolities of women, it is time for them to get busy and reform them."

## You'll find Grape-Nuts

a delicious and unusual blend of wheat and malted barley, which supplies needed nourishment for sturdy muscles and active brains

"There's a Reason"

## Celebrate Fifty-Sixth Wedding Anniversary



Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Driskell.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Driskell observed their fifty-sixth wedding anniversary in Oberlin, Kan., on Tuesday, March 29, with an elaborate 1 o'clock dinner and homecoming of their children.

It is a long, long time from March 25, 1865, to March 29, 1921, but Mr. and Mrs. Driskell, both hale and hearty, are able to look back on their joys and sorrows shared during the fifty-six years, and rejoice in the companionship that means everything in the world to them.

They were married in Marysville, Kan., and soon afterwards moved to a farm near Washington, Kan., where their seven children were born and reared. They took part in the up-building of that community, endured their share of the hard times that followed the civil war, had their Indian scares, grasshopper plagues, hot winds, crop failures, and bumper crops, the ups and downs of all pioneers, but thru it all keeping cheerful and doing their full share to make "bleeding Kansas" a better place.

Four generations were present. Those who attended the dinner were: A. A. Driskell of Washington, Kan.; Mrs. Emma Stanley of Topeka; Mrs. Rilla Walton, Kansas City, Mo.; Mrs. Prudence Grindle, her husband, A. A. Grindle, their daughters Ora and Georgia and their married daughter, Mrs. Walter L. Rubendall, and her husband; Mrs. Mae Lipsey, her husband and her son, and her daughter, Mrs. Effie Kelley, her son Ward and daughter Ruth of Weatherford, Okla.; C. A. Driskell and wife, Oberlin, Kan.; Orville Walton, a grandson, his wife and their son and daughter, Melvin and Madeline. Mr. and Mrs. Driskell have also two other grandchildren, the son and daughter, Verne and Bernice, of Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Rubendall.

commissions are urged to defer any withdrawal from the reserve until the plan is fully formulated.

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Arkansas Governor to Investigate Deporting Union Heads.

Gets Protests From Chiefs of Seventeen R. R. Unions.

MISSING MEN ARE LOCATED

Refuse to Make Statement When Found in Joplin.

Made Appeal for Protection to Federal Government.

Little Rock, April 8.—Governor McRae announced this morning that the state authorities will begin immediately an investigation of the situation growing out of the strike of employees of the Missouri & North Arkansas railroad and the deportation Wednesday night of several union executives from Harrison.

The governor's announcement followed receipt by him of a telegram from Chicago signed by the heads of seventeen unions, which declared that the men ejected from Harrison were their representatives in the performance of their duties as brotherhood representatives and that their deportation was effected unlawfully and by an armed mob.

Officials in Joplin. Joplin, Mo., April 8.—M. C. Carey of Fort Huron, Mich., representing the Brotherhood of Railway Conductors and L. M. Eddy of San Francisco of the Order of Railway Telegraphers, two of five leaders in the strike of employees of the Missouri & North Arkansas railroad, who were asked to leave Harrison, Ark., and the state by a crowd of one thousand persons Wednesday afternoon, arrived in Joplin last night and were in conference today at a local home with what appeared to be a group of railroad men.

The men declined to make any verbal statement as to their plans, asserting that newspapers and news services had been unfair to them, and then declined to issue a written statement.

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## HULA-HULA SKIRT? RUTH PICKS ONE OUT OF THE OCEAN



Ruth Roland and her hula garb.

Ruth Roland, movie star, wanted a hula-hula skirt one day but the high cost of the necessary grass halted her until she had a brilliant idea, seaweed. So she just took a dip and came up with the skirt—as the camera man avers.

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